

A settled point in newspaper ethics that...

THE ASSISTANT EDITOR.

With this issue Mr. Ashby W. Dunn becomes the Assistant editor of THE COMMONWEALTH.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

As assistant editor, I enter upon the discharge of my duties without any experience whatever.

ASK FOR YOUR HEARTY CO-OPERATION. ASHBY W. DUNN.

GOVERNOR KITCHIN.

Most of the reading space of THE COMMONWEALTH this week is given to the inaugural address of Governor W. W. Kitchin.

A SPLENDID TRIBUTE.

The News and Observer of January 13, the day after Governor Kitchin's inauguration, paid the following splendid tribute to his mother:

"The most honored visitor at the inauguration this week was the mother of the new Governor, the widow of the late Capt. W. H. Kitchin, whose services to the State were conspicuous in days that tried men's souls.

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disease-breeding conditions and will be the most productive lands in the State. The State can undertake the drainage and levy assessments on the benefitted land for expenses, but I do not think there is a present necessity for this method.

BANK DEPOSITS.

The last platform upon which the incoming National administration was elected declares for postal savings banks, and it is not unreasonable to presume that before that administration ends Congress will obey the pledge of the Republican party and establish postal savings banks.

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first day of the ensuing July or January, whichever comes first, upon all such banks and upon others which may thereafter file a similar request.

RAILROADS.

The railroad business of the State is so important that I deem it proper in this inaugural address in formal fashion to set forth some of the views entertained by me and which I have in public speeches often declared concerning railroad matters.

Every thinking man realizes that railroads are necessary; that they bless every community they touch; that they must be profitable in order to give proper service; that they deserve fair treatment at the hands of legislatures, and moreover that any legislation that would deprive them of just compensation would be futile under the Constitution.

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ECONOMY.

In the Treasurer's report it appears that, owing to the value of our taxable property not increasing as much as the last legislature anticipated, our expenditures, for the last two years, exceeded our receipts.

The sentiment of our people and our financial strength forbid parsimony, but there are limitations upon our treasury and the legislature will regard these limitations and display that wise statesmanship which will appropriate justly for all worthy purposes, and yet keep the appropriations within the bounds of our probable revenues, bearing in mind that a surplus is usually more desirable than a deficit.

Sincere gratitude for the people's approval of my past public services and profound appreciation of their confidence in calling me to the responsible duties of governor, shall constantly determine me to dedicate whatever ability I may have to the prompt, unselfish and faithful performance of such duties.

Let us trust that, under the guidance of ever kind Providence in the ensuing years, plenty and peace shall bless our people, prosperity enrich our industries, happiness dwell in our homes, the spirit of harmony and fellowship grow among men, and devotion to law and order increase.

January 12, 1908.

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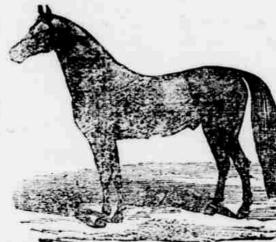
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